

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR MEETING OF THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

SAN DIEGO COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2000

Meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m.

Present: Members Dianne Jacob, Chairwoman; Vice Chairman Ron Roberts; Greg Cox; Pam Slater and Bill Horn; also Thomas J. Pastuszka, Clerk.

Public Communication

(No Speakers)

Air Pollution Control District Agenda Items

1. SUPPORT FOR AB 1450 TO ALLOW AIR DISTRICT PERMITTING OF BIOSOLID OR SEWAGE SLUDGE COMPOSTING OPERATIONS
2. ACCEPTANCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FISCAL YEAR 2000 GRANT
3. ACCEPTANCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FISCAL YEAR 2000 SECTION 103 GRANT AMENDMENT

APCB 1. **SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR AB 1450 TO ALLOW AIR DISTRICT PERMITTING OF
 BIOSOLID OR SEWAGE SLUDGE COMPOSTING OPERATIONS**
 (Supv. Dist: All)

OVERVIEW:

State law provides for air districts to require construction and operating permits for “any article, machine, equipment or other contrivance which may cause the issuance of contaminants.” In certain air districts, it has been argued that, even though open-air compost operations emit air contaminants, they do not constitute an “article, machine, equipment or other contrivance” and, therefore, air districts cannot require permits for these operations. This has led to confusion over whether air district permits can be required from composting activities.

AB 1450 will amend state law to clarify that air districts have authority to require permits from composting operations. This will allow districts to require permits from operations where there are problems and allow permit conditions necessary to ensure compliance with applicable requirements to be imposed. This will also facilitate recovery of district compliance determination costs from permit fees.

FISCAL IMPACT:

AB 1450 will have no fiscal impact on the District.

RECOMMENDATION:

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER:

Support AB 1450 as amended January 3, 2000.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Member Horn, seconded by Member Slater, the Members of the Air Pollution Control Board action as recommended on Consent.

AYES: Cox, Jacob, Slater, Roberts, Horn

APCB 2. **SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
 FISCAL YEAR 2000 GRANT
 (Supv. Dist: All)**

OVERVIEW:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provides an annual grant to the Air Pollution Control District. The EPA has offered the District a total grant of \$1,250,562, including the \$1,230,562 base grant for federal fiscal year 2000 (October 1999 through September 2000), plus a \$20,000 supplement to offset District costs for hiring a contractor to analyze data collected at the Barrio Logan monitoring station. The District is seeking authorization to accept these grant funds.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Seventy-five percent of the base grant revenue (\$922,922) from the federal FY 2000 EPA grant is budgeted in the FY 1999-00 Budget. The balance (\$307,640) will be included in the FY 2000-01 Budget. The \$20,000 for the Barrio Logan monitoring station data analysis contract is budgeted in the FY 1999-2000 budget. No net County costs will be incurred by this action.

RECOMMENDATION:

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER:

Approve and authorize the Air Pollution Control Officer to execute the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 2000 Section 105 Air Grant totaling \$1,250,562.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Member Horn, seconded by Member Slater, the Members of the Air Pollution Control Board took action as recommended on Consent.

AYES: Cox, Jacob, Slater, Roberts, Horn

APCB 3. **SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
FISCAL YEAR 2000 SECTION 103 GRANT AMENDMENT**
(Supv. Dist: All)

OVERVIEW:

On May 6, 1998 (APCB 2), your Board accepted a \$175,325 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Section 103 Grant to develop a PM_{2.5} fine particulate matter monitoring network. On March 17, 1999 (APCB Item 1), the EPA provided a second-year grant of \$248,845 to complete network implementation and begin monitoring.

The EPA is now offering an additional \$93,861 federal Fiscal Year (FY) 2000 grant for the cost of operating and maintaining the monitoring network (\$22,586), and for sample analysis services (\$71,275), which will be in-kind revenue with service provided by an EPA contractor. The revenue and expenditures associated with this grant were budgeted in the FY 1999-2000 District Operational Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The FY 2000 Section 103 Grant revenue was approved in the FY 1999-2000 District Operational Plan to fully fund PM_{2.5} monitoring program costs. This grant will have no impact on the General Fund.

RECOMMENDATION:

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER:

Approve and authorize the Air Pollution Control Officer to execute the FY 2000 EPA Section 103 Grant Amendment totaling \$93,861.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Member Horn, seconded by Member Slater, the Members of the Air Pollution Control Board took action as recommended on Consent.

AYES: Cox, Jacob, Slater, Roberts, Horn

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

THOMAS J. PASTUSZKA
Clerk of the Air Pollution Control Board
San Diego County Air Pollution
Control District

Notes by: Egan

NOTE: This Statement of Proceedings sets forth all actions taken by the San Diego County Air Pollution Control Board on the matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken up.